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DETAILED ACTION

This is the third office action for U.S. Application 10/542,346 for a Holder for Heat Exchanger filed on July 14, 2005.

Election/Restrictions

Newly submitted claims 12-19 are directed to an invention that is independent or distinct from the invention originally claimed for the following reasons: Applicant is attempting to claims a holder and heat exchanger in combination when previously only the subcombination of a holder was claimed. Also, claim 1 as amended positively recites the elements of the pipe/rib block of the heat exchanger making the claim a combination claims between the holder and heat exchanger, when previously only the subcombination of the holder was claimed.

Since applicant has received an action on the merits for the originally presented invention, this invention has been constructively elected by original presentation for prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, claims 1, 3-9, and 12-19 are withdrawn from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. See 37 CFR 1.142(b) and MPEP § 821.03.

Response to Amendment

The reply filed on February 26, 2009 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The pending claims do not read on the elected species. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the

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omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to STEVEN M. MARSH whose telephone number is (571)272-6819. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30 am - 7:00 pm (Monday-Thursday).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, J Allen Shriver can be reached on 571-272-6698. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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